

**MECHANICAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
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**June 24, 2022  
8:00 A.M.**

***Minutes***

**MECHANICAL TAC PRESENT:**

David John, Chairman  
Oscar Calleja  
Elizabeth Goll  
Gary Griffin  
Joe Griner

Alex Hernandez  
Ray Pearce for Kenny Locke  
Don Pittman  
Pete Quintela  
Rick Sims

**MECHANICAL TAC NOT PRESENT**

Daniel Griffin

Paul Jones

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Mo Madani  
Justin Vogel  
Jim Hammers  
Jeff Blair  
Marlita Peters

Thomas Campbell  
Sabrina Evans  
Norman Bellamy  
Alex Ronda

**MEETING FACILITATION:**

The meeting was facilitated by Jeff Blair from Facilitated Solutions, LLC. Consultation, Process Design & Facilitation. Information at: [facilitatedsolutions.org](https://facilitatedsolutions.org)

**Time: 8:00 a.m.**

Mr. Blair welcomed everyone to the teleconference meeting of the Mechanical TAC.

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Blair performed roll call for the Mechanical TAC. A quorum was determined with 10 members present at roll call.

**Agenda Approval:**

Mr. Pittman moved to approve the agenda for today's meeting as posted. Mr. Calleja seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10 to 0.

**Approval of the minutes from November 1, 2021:**

Mr. Griner moved to approve the minutes from November 1, 2021, as posted. Mr. Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10 to 0.

**To accept public input and provide recommendations on the proposed code changes for the update to the 8th Edition (2023) Florida Building Code and local Amendments, as applicable:**

Mr. Blair provided an overview of the process for making recommendations about the proposed code modifications.

**Motion:**

Mr. Pittman made the following motion: that for all motions to approve a proposed Code amendment, the Technical Advisory Committee's recommendation shall be based on the following findings, pursuant to the requirements of sections 553.73 (9)(a) and (9)(b), F.S.: A. The amendment is needed in order to accommodate the specific needs of this state; B. The amendment has a reasonable and substantial connection to the health, safety, and welfare of the general public; C. The amendment strengthens or improves the Florida Building Code, or in the case of innovation or new technology, will provide equivalent or better products or methods or systems of construction; D. The amendment does not discriminate against materials, products, methods, or systems of construction of demonstrated capabilities; E. The amendment does not degrade the effectiveness of the Florida Building Code; F. The amendment has the following fiscal impact relative to the costs and benefits of the proposed amendment: 1. The fiscal impact relative to enforcement imposed upon local government is as indicated by the proponent. 2. The fiscal impact of compliance imposed upon building and property owners is as indicated by the proponent. 3. The fiscal impact relative to compliance imposed upon industry is as indicated by the proponent. 4. The amendment demonstrates by evidence or data that the state's geographical

jurisdiction exhibits a need to strengthen the code beyond the needs or regional variations addressed by the code and why the proposed amendment applies to this state; G. The amendment's benefits noted with regard to fiscal impact and efficacy outweigh the costs imposed; and H. The amendment does not diminish requirements related to wind resistance or prevention of water intrusion contained in the Code or its referenced standards and criteria. Mr. Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

Mr. Madani reviewed the materials that would be used to review the proposed code modifications.

**M10394**

Mr. Madani stated no action is needed, belongs in another TAC.

**M9996**

**Staff:**

Mr. Madani briefly provided a summary of modification M9996.

**TAC:**

Commissioner John spoke in support of modification M9996.

**Motion:**

Commissioner John moved to recommend approval of M9996 as submitted. Mr. Calleja seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M9997**

Mr. Calleja moved to recommend approval of M9997 as submitted. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M10381**

**Proponent:**

Timothy DeCarion, Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals, on behalf of Rolando Soto provided a summary of modification M10381.

**Favor:**

Joe Belcher, FHBA, spoke in support of modification M10381.

**Motion:**

Mr. Pearce moved to recommend approval of M10381 as submitted.

**TAC:**

Commissioner John asked the proponent Mr. DeCarion a question.

Timothy DeCarion, Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals, provided an answer to Commissioner John's question.

Mr. Quintela provided a comment regarding modification M10381.

**Motion Continued:**

Mr. Quintela seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M9999**

**Motion:**

Ms. Goll moved to recommend approval of M9999 as submitted. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M10024**

**Motion:**

Mr. Calleja moved to recommend approval of M10024 as submitted. Mr. Quintela seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M10170**

**Proponent:**

Jeff Sonne, FSEC, briefly provided a summary of modification M10170.

**Opposition:**

Joe Belcher, FHBA, spoke in opposition to modification M10170.

**Motion:**

Mr. Griffin moved to recommend denial of M10170 based on it needing alternate language. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M10171**

**Proponent:**

Jeff Sonne, FSEC, briefly provided a summary of modification M10171.

**Opposition:**

Joe Belcher, FHBA, spoke in opposition to modification M10171.

**Rebuttal:**

Jeff Sonne, FSEC, provided a rebuttal statement in support of the modification.

Joe Belcher, FHBA, provided a rebuttal statement in opposition to the modification.

**TAC:**

Mr. Griner spoke in support of modification M10171.

**Motion:**

Mr. Griner moved to recommend denial of M10171 based on it not being needed. Mr. Calleja seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 9-1 vote. (Pete Quintela opposed).

**TAC:**

Mr. Quintela asked a clarifying question.

Mr. Blair answered Mr. Quintela's question.

**M10173**

Jeff Sonne, FSEC, briefly provided a summary of modification M10173.

**Favor:**

Bryan Holland, NEMA, spoke in support of modification M10173.

**Opposition:**

Joe Belcher, FHBA, spoke in opposition to modification M10173.

**TAC:**

Mr. Hernandez asked the proponent Mr. Sonne some questions.

Mr. Sonne, FSEC, provided answers to Mr. Hernandez's questions.

**Motion:**

Mr. Hernandez moved to recommend denial of M10173 based on it needing more clarification. Mr. Calleja seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M10069**

**Proponent:**

Timothy DeCarion, Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals, provided a summary of modification M10069.

**Favor:**

Ms. Arlene Stewart, Energy Code Circuit Rider, spoke in support of modification M10069.

Bryan Holland, NEMA, spoke in support of modification M10069.

**Opposition:**

Joe Belcher, FHBA, spoke in opposition to modification M10069.

Chairman Jim Shock spoke in opposition to modification M10069.

**Rebuttal:**

Timothy DeCarion, Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals, provided a rebuttal statement in support of the modification.

Mr. Blair asked the proponent Timothy DeCarion a clarifying question.

Timothy DeCarion, Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals, answered Mr. Blair's question.

**TAC:**

Mr. Calleja provided a comment regarding modification M10069.

**Motion:**

Mr. Calleja moved to recommend approval of M10069 as submitted. Mr. Griffin seconded the motion.

**TAC:**

Commissioner John provided a comment and spoke in opposition to modification M10069.

**Motion Continued:**

The motion passed with a vote of 9-1. (Commissioner John opposed).

**M10025**

**Motion:**

Mr. Pittman moved to recommend approval of M10025 as submitted. Ms. Goll seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**M10026**

Motion:

Mr. Quintela moved to recommend approval of M10025 as submitted. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**Local Technical Amendments:**

Mr. Vogel briefly provided legal details regarding the Commission's review of local technical amendments.

Mr. Madani provided a comment regarding the local technical amendments

**1) Pinellas County Construction Industry Licensing Board (PCCLB): Residential M1411**

**Motion:**

Mr. Calleja moved to recommend against incorporating Pinellas County Construction Industry Licensing Board (PCCLB)'s local technical amendment into the Florida Building Code. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**2) County of Broward: Mechanical Sec M314.2.1**

**Motion:**

Mr. Pittman moved to recommend against incorporating County of Broward's local technical amendment into the Florida Building Code. Mr. Quintela seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**3) County of Broward: Mechanical Sec 307**

**Motion:**

Mr. Quintela moved to recommend against incorporating County of Broward's local technical amendment into the Florida Building Code. Mr. Calleja seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**4) County of Broward: Mechanical Sec 908.3**

**Motion:**

Mr. Quintela moved to recommend against incorporating County of Broward's local technical amendment into the Florida Building Code. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**5) County of Broward: Mechanical Sec 908.8**

**Motion:**

Mr. Quintela moved to recommend against incorporating County of Broward's local technical amendment into the Florida Building Code. Mr. Calleja seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 10-0.

**Other TAC Business:**

None

**Public Comment:**

None

**Member and Staff Comment:**

None

**Adjourn:**

There being no further business before the Committee, Chairman John adjourned the meeting at 8:42 a.m.